

## Message Text

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SUBJ: PROPOSAL FOR JOINT US-SOVIET CONFERENCE OF WRITERS,  
CRITICS, AND PUBLISHERS

REF: STATE 187397

1. EMBOFFS CALLED ON JOURNAL OF FOREIGN LITERATURE  
AUGUST ELEVEN TO DISCUSS SUBJECT CONFERENCE WITH INITIATORS  
OF PROPOSAL, ASSISTANT EDITOR CHUGUNOV AND EDITOR OF  
AMERICAN LITERATURE, KUDRYAVTSEVA.

2. DEPT. POINTS CONTAINED PARA 2 REFTEL EXPLAINED TO  
SOVS AND QUESTIONS RAISED PARA 3 WERE ANSWERED:

A. NUMBE OF DELEGATES FROM US - SIX TO TEN

B. CONFERENCE DURATION - THREE DAYS

C. THERE WOULD RPT WOULD BE POST-CONFERENCETRAVEL IN USSR  
FOR CONFERENCE PARTICIPANTS WITH FINAL CONFERENCE WRAP-UP  
SESSION TO FOLLOW.

D. SOVIET SPONSORING ORGANIZATION - PROBABLY JOURNAL OF  
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E. FOLLOW-UP CONFERENCE IN US WOULD BE DESIRED, WITH RECEIVING  
SIDE PAYING COSTS OF SOVDEL.

DEPT. POINT RE USDEL CHAIRMAN CLEAR TO SOVS.

3. EMBOFFS EXPLAINED JOURNAL REPS DEPT. INTEREST IN  
SUPPORTING CONFERNECE. SOVS HAD, HOWEVER, THOUGHT OF  
APPROACHING NORMAN COUSINS OF STATUDAY REVIEW TO SECURE  
SR'S COOPERATION ON AND CO-SPONSORING OF PROJECT. WE  
DISCUSSED IN DETAIL THESE TWO APPROACHES TO ORGANIZING  
CONFERENCE AND SOVS WILL CONSIDER THEM FURTHER AND EITHER  
SUBMIT FORMAL PROPOSAL TO US FOR DEPT. ACTION OR CONTACT  
COUSINS DIRECTLY AND INFORM US OF ACTUAL PROPOSAL.

4. COUSINS IS WELL-KNOW TO JOURNAL OF FOREIGN LITERATURE,  
WHOSE DESIRE SEEMS TO BE TO ORGANIZE CONFERENCE ON JOURNAL-  
TO-JOURNAL BASIS TO KEEP ARRANGEMENTS INFORMAL AND ALSO  
AWAY FROM OTHER POSSIBLE SOV. SPONSORS SUCH AS WRITERS'  
UNION OR MINCULT. ASSUME THAT IF SOVS OPT FOR DIRECT  
APPROACH TO COUSINS HE WILL CONTACT DEPT. FOR SUPPORT,  
BUT DEPT. MAY WISH TO CONTACT COUSINS NOW TO INFORM HIM  
OF POSSIBLE UPCOMING PROPOSAL AND TO EXPRESS INTEREST IN  
OFFERING SUPPORT.  
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